New York September 9th 1835

To the Society of inquiry
respecting missions, Princeton
Theological Seminary.

Dear Brethren

Having been
directed by the Board of Managers of the New York
Young Men's Foreign Missionary Society to open
such a correspondence with Societies & Missionaries
as may promote christian intercourse among
brethren who have in view the same object, &
as may tend to excite & cherish a deeper spirit
of missions in our own hearts, I have
taken the liberty of addressing you with
the request that if agreeable you will receive
us into the number of your correspondents.
Accompanying this request, let me briefly
state the nature & object of our Society.

It is a Society composed of the young men of the city belonging principally to the Presbyterian & Dutch Churches, who are united for the purpose of raising funds to send the gospel through the A.B.C.F.M. to all nations. We desire also the young men of the city to unite with us & become in early life trained to sustain by their prayers & charities those institutions of Benevolence whose interests are soon to devolve on them. To effect this object it is necessary to lay before them such facts as may awaken their Christian feelings & inspire their efforts.

In connection with those which are gathered from the publications of the present S.S. we wish to present the State of Religious feeling as existing in the different Seminaries among the young men who are soon to buckle on their armour in the defence & on the propagation of the Gospel.

We are desirous of knowing the number in your Society who have devoted themselves or will probably devote themselves to the missionary life; & the State of feeling which at present exists among you.

We shall be gratified by an early reply to our communication, if convenient; [illegible] especially as the anniversary of our Society [illegible] to occur, & the information you [illegible] may be able to communicate, will be [illegible] trust serve to kindle in many hearts a flame of unchanging love for the cause in which we are mutually enlisted.

Accept dear Brethren the assurance of our unfeigned Christian regard

In behalf of the Board of Managers

Lem Jones
Sec'y of Missionary Soc.

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Rev Samuel Miller D.D.

For the Society of inquiry

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